Livingstone Parish Church Sunday 7th May 2023 Rev. Caryl Kyle

Hymn 1 CH4 192

All my hope on God is founded,

all my trust he will renew; safe through change and chance he guides me,

only good and only true.

God unknown,

he alone

calls my heart to be his own.

is my temple and my tower.

Pride of man and earthly glory, sword and crown betray God's trust; though with care and toil we build them, tower and temple fall to dust.
But God's power, hour by hour,

God's great goodness lasts for ever, deep his wisdom passing thought: splendour, light, and life attend him, beauty springing out of naught. Evermore, from his store

new-born worlds rise and adore.

Day by day the mighty Giver

showers gifts on us below;
his desire our souls delight in,
pleasure leads us where we go.
See love stand
at his hand,
joy awaits at his command!

Still from earth to God in heaven sacrifice of praise be done, high above all praises praising for the gift of Christ his Son. Hear Christ call one and all:

those who follow shall not fall.

*Robert Bridges (1844-1930) based on Joachim Neander (1650-1680)

Hymn 2 CH4 641

Seek ye first the Kingdom of God

and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you;

allelu, alleluia.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Ask and it shall be given unto you, seek, and ye shall find; knock, and the door shall be opened up to you;

allelu, alleluia.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

You shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of the Lord; allelu, alleluia.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Karen Lafferty (b. 1948)

Hymn 3 CH4 461

How sweet the name of Jesus sounds

in a believer's ear! It soothes our sorrows, heals our wounds, and drives away our fear.

It makes the wounded spirit whole, and calms the troubled breast; 'tis manna to the hungry soul, and to the weary rest.

Dear name! the rock on which I build, my shield and hiding-place, my never-failing treasury, filled with boundless stores of grace.

Jesus, my Shepherd, Husband, Friend, my Prophet, Priest, and King, my Lord, my Life, my Way, my End, accept the praise I bring.

Weak is the effort of my heart, and cold my warmest thought; but, when I see thee as thou art, I'll praise thee as I ought.

Till then I would thy love proclaim with every fleeting breath; and may the music of thy name refresh my soul in death.

John Newton (1725-1807)

To God be the glory! great things he hath done;

Hymn 4

CH4 512

so loved he the world that he gave us his Son;

who yielded His life an atonement for sin, and opened the life gate that all may go in.

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord!

let the earth hear his voice;

praise the Lord, praise the Lord!

let the people rejoice:

Oh, come to the Father, through Jesus the Son,

and give him the glory! Great things he

hath done!O perfect redemption, the purchase of

blood! to every believer the promise of God; the vilest offender who truly believes, that moment from Jesus a pardon receives.

Great things he hath taught us, great things he hath done, and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;

but purer, and higher, and greater will be our wonder, our rapture, when Jesus we see.

Praise the Lord...

Praise the Lord...

*Frances (Fanny) Jane Crosby (1829-1915)

Hymn 5 CH4 706

For the healing of the nations,

Lord, we pray with one accord; for a just and equal sharing of the things that earth affords. To a life of love in action help us rise and pledge our word.

Lead us forward into freedom, from despair your world release, that, redeemed from war and hatred, all may come and go in peace. Show us how through care and goodness fear will die and hope increase.

All that kills abundant living, let it from the earth be banned; pride of status, race, or schooling, dogmas that obscure your plan. In our common quest for justice may we hallow life's brief span.

You, Creator-God, have written your great name on humankind; for our growing in your likeness bring the life of Christ to mind; that by our response and service earth its destiny may find.

Fred Kaan (1929-2009)

Hymn 6 CH4 154

O Lord my God!

when I in awesome wonder consider all the works thy hand hath made, I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder, thy power throughout the universe displayed:

Then sings my soul

Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee, 'how great thou art,' how great thou art!' Then sings my soul, my Saviour God to thee, 'how great Thou art,' how great Thou art!'

When through the woods and forest glades I wander and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;

when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur, and hear the brook, and feel the gentle breeze:

Then sings my soul...

And when I think that God his Son not sparing, sent him to die — I scarce can take it in, that on the cross my burden gladly bearing, he bled and died to take away my sin: Then sings my soul...

When Christ shall come
with shout of acclamation
and take me home —
what joy shall fill my heart!
Then shall I bow in humble adoration
and there proclaim,
my God, how great thou art!
Then sings my soul...

Russian hymn translated Stuart K. Hine (1899-1989)

Exeunt CH4 703

God save our gracious King,

long live our noble King; God save the King! Send him victorious, happy and glorious, long to reign over us: God save the King!

Thy choicest gifts in store on him be pleased to pour; long may he reign; may he defend our laws, and ever give us cause to sing with heart and voice, 'God save the King!'

Not on this land alone, but be God's mercies known from shore to shore. Lord, make the nations see that all should kindred be, and form one family the wide world o'er.

> Author unknown Verses 1 & 2 from the version of 1745 verse 3 by W.E. Hickson (1803-1870)

Stevenston Livingstone Church of Scotland



The Kirk Session of Livingstone Church is registered with the Christian Copyright licensing so that it may reproduce the words of songs and hymns for public worship. Licence number: 2834933

Stevenston Livingstone Parish Church is a Registered Scottish Charity, No: SC000452